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TAGS: ETRD KS US

SUBJ: REPORTED BOYCOTT OF KOREAN CLOTHING IMPORTS BY U.S. TEXTILE
UNION

1. THE LOCAL PRESS HAS PICKED UP AN ASSOCIATED PRESS STORY DATE-LINED WASHINGTON TO THE EFFECT THAT THE AMALGAMATED CLOTHING WORKERS OF AMERICA ANNOUNCED IN A NEWS CONFERENCE FEBRUARY 5 THAT IT WOULD BEGIN PICKETING DEPARTMENT STORES IN AN ATTEMPT TO CHOKE OFF IMPORTS OF LOW-PRICED CLOTHING. ACCORDING TO THE A.P. DISPATCH, THE PICKETING WILL BEGIN IMMEDIATELY IN LOS ANGELES WITH PLANS TO EXTEND IT TO BOSTON, NEW YORK, BALTIMORE, PHILADELPHIA, PITTSBURGH, CLEVELAND, DETROIT, CHICAGO, ST. LOUIS, MIAMI AND NASHVILLE. THE REPORT INDICATES THAT IMPORTS FROM KOREA WILL BE THE INITIAL TARGET OF THE BOYCOTT ACTIVITY.

2. KOREAN CLOTHING EXPORTERS ARE QUOTED IN LOCAL PRESS STORIES AS "BEING SURPRISED" AND AS CALLING THE BOYCOTT "UNFAIR AND HARD TO UNDERSTAND" IN VIEW OF THE FACT THAT KOREAN CLOTHING EXPORTS TO THE U.S. ARE GOVERNED BY A USG-ROKG BILATERAL TEXTILE AGREEMENT. THE EMBASSY HAS RECEIVED NO INQUIRIES FROM EITHER THE ROKG OR THE KOREAN TEXTILE INDUSTRY AS YET, BUT ANTICIPATES THAT WE WILL BE QUERIED ON THE SUBJECT BEFORE LONG.

3. ACTION REQUESTED: EMBASSY REQUESTS CONFIRMATION OF DETAILS OF
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AMALGAMATED CLOTHING WORKERS NEWS CONFERENCE AND INSTRUCTIONS

ON RESPONDING TO ANTICIPATED QUERIES.
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